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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provided for
continued examination of a utility or plant application

filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/641,808
Filing Date	August 17, 2000
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Group Art Unit	1645
Examiner Name	Albert Mark Navarro
Attorney Docket Number	454311-2201.1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8
1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under CFR 1.114.

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on June 4, 2004
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months. (Period of
suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(I) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to
Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1190.00 is enclosed for the following:
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| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) | 08/12/2004 HALI11 | 00000067 09641808 |
| ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) | 01 FC:1801 | 770.00 0P |
| iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | |
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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